

Corpus Christi
Parent's Group Meeting
November 2, 2009

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

All members were present.

Guests:

Elizabeth Murphy, school board representative

Corine Li, Scholastic Book Fair

Laura Keady, Fashion Show

Opening Prayer:

Sue Scott

Corine Li (Book Fair)

- Book Fair is Sunday, November 15th – Wednesday, November 18th
- Teachers will preview the books on Friday November 13th
- Please note there is a discrepancy between dates on school calendar and flier
- Molly Rogers is new to the team this year
- Plenty of parents have volunteered to help
- Hopefully next year we may have a link on the website to share available books

Laura Keady (Fashion Show)

- The Fashion show has been sold as a parent party at the Crab Feed
- Tickets are also sold after masses
- The Fashion Show reaches a much broader community, including businesses and parishioners
- Last year approximately \$4,000 netted
- 6 volunteers put in 100+ hours as well as approximately \$120.00 each
- Laura proposed to the board that the volunteers (or main volunteers) be aloud to count hours, or a portion of the hours, towards required parent hours
- The Parent's Group Board discussed various ways to handle this request
 - Removing the Fashion Show from the parent parties (and therefore not an auction donation)
 - Parents earning volunteer hours and not financially contributing to the fashion show
- No final decision was made
- Laura will consult with her team and report back to the Board

School Board Report (Elizabeth Murphy)

- Corpus Christi has an attractive new brochure
- Corpus Christi has been invited to participate in the Diocesan Science Fair
- Website team working on the following improvements
 - Identifying student council

- Homework information
- School calendar
- Computer class information (Mr. Malone)
- WCEA/WASC accreditation will be February or March 2011
- Building and Grounds recommending an internal electrical wiring and painting the outside of the building. Funds will come from Capital Improvement
- Strategic Planning Committee is looking at enrollment and how to market to prospective families
 - a few board members and new families will offer input

Secretary's Report (Lisa Van Nyhuis)

- A motion to approve the minutes for 10/06/09 was provided by Mary Alice McNeil and was seconded by Amy Crudo

Moderator's Report (Katie Murphy)

- Silent auction team held it's first meeting
 - Cindy Kapp and Katie Goldberg will handle the weekend set-up
 - Moire Bruin is doing the catalog with Karolyn Cherryhomes taking over the back room
 - One opening to help with back room/ computer entry
 - Tuition Raffle price set to \$50 with unlimited tickets sold
 - Items not sold will be placed on-line in addition to a one time hard copy
- Thanked Sue and Luz for collecting Walk-a-Thon money
- Results from school survey were overall positive
 - Parent's Group Board will receive a copy of pertinent sections via email
- There will be a school wide lice check after Christmas
- Today, November 2, was the Dia De Los Muertos celebration
- Last Wednesday the school celebrated All Saints Day
 - New saints were added to the mass

President (Chris Trevino)

- Calendar:
 - Book Fair November 15th -18th
 - Katie's Birthday November 19th
 - Christmas party December 3rd, Sequoia Country Club 6:30 – 8:00
 - Christmas program December 15th
 - Staff breakfast December 16th
- Thanked Deb Waterhouse for her work on the TIP dinner
- Silent auction item – think of suggestions for Parent's Group donation
- Asked for approval of staff bonus', all approved

Vice-President's Report (Kim Walsh)

- 850 parent involvement hours have been recorded (K / 1 families)
- Pasta Pomodoro fundraiser has been successful
 - Restaurant will send a check in about a month (20%)
- Kim attended a viewing of *Race to Nowhere* at Bishop O'Dowd

- Approximately 50–60 O’Dowd parents and faculty attended
- Documentary was followed by a panel discussion
- We will look into borrowing O’Dowd’s copy

Treasure’s Report (Sue Scott)

- \$62,720 in checking account
- Approximately \$20,000 money market account
- Walk-a-Thon pledges are due this week
- We discussed the timing of the mandatory fundraising pledge and the possibility of adding it to registration fees instead of as a separate fee due in the summer
 - The School Board will need to make final decision

Room Parent Coordinator (Meghan O’Leary)

- Auction parent coordinators have met
 - Deadline is approaching for project approval
- All but one class has picked dates for ornament exchange

TIP (Deb Waterhouse)

- Octoberfest was a huge success
- TIP is on budget
- Calleen Tinonga will receive a restaurant gift certificate in thanks for all of her work in preparing the food
- Danielle Hayes will work on the Staff of the Month board
- 8th grade families are preparing lunches for the staff’s monthly faculty meetings
- Thank you notes for Calleen, Jim Crudo, and the Saggs Sausage Company were passed and signed

Fundraising (Mary Alice)

- Mary Alice will debrief her team on November 19th
- 112 Thank you letters have been sent
- All donors will be listed on the school website
- Looking to identify a new solicitations chair for next year

Mentor/Communications (Amy Crudo)

- New parent’s mentor letter will include
 - Book Fair
 - School families
 - Uniform reordering
 - Crab Feed
 - Photo retakes
- Parent’s Press will be distributed the Tuesday before Thanksgiving (November 24th)

Parliamentarian (Julia Lennon)

- Meeting with Dorothy Militar to develop plan to educate parents about the election process for Parent’s Group and School Board

- Julia will present on this at December's meeting

Next meeting December 7, 2009

Luz De Palm will provide prayer/snack

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Van Nyhuis